

§Appl. No. 10/690,723  
Amdt. dated October 27, 2005  
Reply to Office Action of, July 27, 2005

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

**On page 8, the second full paragraph has been amended as follows:**

Referring to Fig. 6, it may be seen that fastening and supporting mechanism 520 may be made up of a metal plate box 610 with a hole in the outer end, which houses an adjustment bolt 620 screwed to a metal latch ~~630~~ 530 to support the rubber cables 510 on each end, which in turn supports the mat 150 forming the bottom of hopper structure 100.

**The last paragraph bridging pages 8 and 9 has been amended as follows:**

Frame 310 is set within steel support structure 370 which comprises three walls: front wall 130 and side walls 120 (see Fig. 1). Side walls 120 may be of a ~~trapezoidal~~ substantially triangular shape reinforce in the upper edge by a pentagonal steel beam, which runs the whole length of front wall 130 and houses in its upper portion rubber blocks 190 which make up a protecting side edge for the top of side walls 120. Side walls 120 are located over longitudinal beams 340 which, in turn, house fastening and supporting system 520. Fastening and supporting system 520 may contain a plurality of small holes which allow for bolt fastening of the side wall rubber mats 170 which cover the surface of both side walls 120 and which provide the function of shielding side walls 120 against impacts and abrasion.